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Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Mental Hygiene Administration Spring Grove Hospital Center – Dix Building

55 Wade Avenue – Catonsville, Maryland 21228

Martin O'Malley, Governor – Anthony G. Brown, Lt. Governor – John M. Colmers, Secretary Brian M. Hepburn, M.D., Executive Director

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Interested Parties

Applicants for Mental Hygiene Administration (MHA) regulated programs

FROM:

Lissa Abrams

RE:

Applicant Interest Meeting

DATE:

June 9, 2010

The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) Mental Hygiene Administration (MHA) and the Office of Health Care Quality (OHCQ) have scheduled an Applicant Interest Meeting on **July 6, 2010**; at **1:00pm**, at the Maryland Psychiatric Research Center, Auditorium, on the grounds of Spring Grove Hospital Center, 55 Wade Avenue, Catonsville, Maryland 21228.

Prior to applying for approval as a Mental Health Community Provider, an applicant must attend an Applicant Interest Meeting. If you have an application currently pending with the OHCQ, the OHCQ will not issue a decision on this application until there is verification that you attended an Applicant Interest Meeting.

MHA and OHCQ are convening the Applicant Interest Meeting to assist potential providers to understand Maryland's Public Mental Health System (PMHS) and the laws and regulations that govern entities who provide community mental health services in order to receive public funds.

The application and regulations may be downloaded on <u>www.dsd.state.md.us</u>. Additional information is provided on <u>www.dhmh.state.md.us</u>.

By July 1, 2010, please contact Doris Williams at 410-402-8060 or Charmaine Flood on 410402-8451, if you plan to attend the Applicant Interest Meeting. If your agency has an application pending with the OHCQ and you wish to withdraw that application, please notify Wendy Kanely wkanely@dhmh.state.md.us, send by facsimile, 410-402-8051 or mail to address on this notice.

If you have any questions please contact Ms. Wendy Kanely, OHCQ at 410-402-8057 or Ms. Sharon Ohlhaver, MHA, on 410 402-8300. Thank you.